GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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BAN ON NAXALITE ORGANISATIONS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some States in the country have lifted the ban imposed on Naxalite organizations;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Union Government in this regard; and

(c) the steps taken by the Union Government to check the activities of Naxalite organizations in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): Naxal groups and their front organizations continue to be banned as terrorist organizations under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 as amended in September, 2004. Besides, many of the States have banned such groups under their respective State laws. No report of lifting of this ban has come to the notice of the Government.

(c): The Central Government views the naxalite menace as a matter of serious concern. The Government has been pursuing a multi-pronged approach to address the problem on political, security and development fronts in a coordinated manner. The Central Government has taken specific measures to coordinate and supplement the efforts and resources of the naxal affected States on both security and development fronts to meet the challenge posed by the naxal problem and has assured these States all possible help in this regard in the future also.